

# H. R. 165.

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APRIL 10, 1822.

Read twice, and committed to the committee of the whole House to which is committed the bill from the Senate, entitled "An act to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office to remit the instalments due on certain lots in Shawneetown, in the state of Illinois."

DEC. 12, 1822.

Ordered to be reprinted.

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## A BILL

*To establish an additional land office in the territory of Michigan.*

1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2    *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*  
3    *so much of the public lands of the United States, in the terri-*  
4    *tory of Michigan, which are embraced within the land district*  
5    *of Detroit, and are unsold, as are included within the follow-*  
6    *ing boundaries, shall be formed into a new land district, to*  
7    *wit: Commencing on the border of Lake Erie, at the south-*  
8    *east corner of township five, in range ten, and running thence,*  
9    *with the line of said township, west, to the southwest corner*  
10   *of township five, in range nine; thence, running north, to the*  
11   *southeast corner of township three, in range eight; thence,*  
12   *running west, to the southeast corner of township three, range*

13 six; thence, running north, along the eastern boundary line of  
 14 said range six, to the northeast corner of township one, in  
 15 range six; thence, running west, to the meridian, or western  
 16 line, as established by the treaty of Detroit, of the seventeenth  
 17 of November, eighteen hundred and seven; thence, running  
 18 south, along said meridian line, to the northern boundary of  
 19 the state of Ohio; and thence east, along said boundary line,  
 20 to the margin of Lake Erie: *Provided*, That such part of the  
 21 tract of land, of twelve miles square, at the Rapids of Miami,  
 22 which was attached to the land office at Wooster, in Ohio, by  
 23 the act of the twenty-seventh of April, eighteen hundred and  
 24 seventeen, and which lies within the territory of Michigan,  
 25 shall be, and is hereby, excepted out of the provisions of this  
 26 act: and, for the sale of the public lands within the district  
 27 hereby constituted, there shall be a land office established at  
 28 such place within the district as the President of the United  
 29 States may designate.

1        **SEC. 2.** *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be a  
 2 Register of the Land Office, and a Receiver of Public Moneys,  
 3 appointed by the President of the United States, for the land  
 4 office hereby created, to superintend the sales of Public Lands  
 5 within said district, who shall give security in the same man-  
 6 ner; in the same sums, and whose compensations, emolu-  
 7 ments, and duties, and authority, shall, in every respect, be  
 8 the same, in relation to the lands which shall be disposed of

9 at their office, as are, or may be, by law provided in relation to  
10 the Registers and Receivers of Public Moneys in the several  
11 offices established for the sale of public lands.

1       SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions  
2 of the third and fifth sections of the act, entitled "An act to  
3 designate the boundaries of districts, and establish land offi-  
4 ces for the disposal of the public lands, not heretofore offered  
5 for sale, in the states of Ohio and Indiana, approved March  
6 the third, eighteen hundred and nineteen," be, and the same  
7 are hereby, made applicable to the district and office hereby  
8 created, so far as they are not changed by subsequent laws of  
9 the United States: *Provided*, That all such public lands, em-  
10 braced within the district created by this act, which shall  
11 have been offered for sale to the highest bidder, at Detroit,  
12 pursuant to any proclamation of the President of the United  
13 States, and which lands remain unsold at the taking effect of  
14 this act, shall be subject to be entered and sold at private sale  
15 by the Register of the land office hereby created, in the same  
16 manner, and subject to the same terms, and upon like condi-  
17 tions, as the sales of said lands would have been subjected to  
18 in the land office at Detroit, had they remained attached to  
19 that office.

1       SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall  
2 take effect, and be in force, from and after the  
3       day next ensuing the passage thereof.